## **LABELING, PACKING & SHIPPING**

- Cool w/ cold packs, frozen water bottles, or ice (double bagged)
- Most effective if place cold packs against the shipping container/cooler walls
- Bubble wrap glass bottles to avoid breakage
- Packaging fill empty space
- Labeling
  - Include field number/date/time collected
  - Writing should be legible
  - Don't use water soluble ink
- Make sure all shipping documents are complete and w/ shipment as necessary (customs TSCA, commercial invoice, etc.)
- Choose words carefully on external shipping documents so will pass thru customs w/o delay.





Use phrases such as: "Drinking or environmental sample" vs. "bio hazard"

## SAFETY

- DLS does not accept samples suspected to contain bio, chem, or radiation hazards
- If samples have been screened & cleared for bio, chem, or rad hazards, provide documentation they are clean w/ shipment
- Note on the accompanying paperwork the potential presence of high levels of other potentially dangerous contaminants pesticide, cyanide, S, etc.



## Clearly Identify Hazards







## **Proper Packing**

to:

- Meet regulatory requirements
- Avoid sample contamination
- Avoid breakage
- Expedite passage thru customs

SHIP ASAP

To avoid compromising holding time and sample integrity

